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MANUFACTURED THEREBY, CONTROL SYSTEM

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference listed on the attached PTO-1449. This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 to U.S. Application 10/157,033 filed May 30, 2002. The reference listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 was submitted and cited in that application, therefore, a copy is not attached (37 C.F.R. §1.98(d)).

It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to Applicants with the next Office Communication to indicate that the reference has been considered, per MPEP § 609.

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